THE SEASON'S FIRST SPRINGPOME.

When talips bloom in Central Park. When early summer brings the lark, And happy birds on bush and bough Sing out right merrily, to show just how Much they appreciate the spring-Oh, loveliest time of all the year I wish that you were now right here! H. E. T.

Surely the world is growing better. Twenty years from to-day ed comic valentine will have vanished. Yesterday was he first February 14 in our columnar career that we failed to re-

What becomes of the energy that used to be spent in selecting and sending-to say nothing of writing-comic valentines it is hard It isn't all expended in penciling mustaches and

biskers on the faces of people in subway and L advertisements.

I mentioned to the ticket chopper at the 103rd Street subway station the fact that he had received honorable notice in the col. What was the idea?" he asked in what practically amounted to

"Why," I explained in words of not more than two syllables. F. P. A. said that if he was a poet he could write a poem about the lower you had hanging on the box."

"Gec, them reporters give me a pain!"

The selemnity of the words which the President has again and ain employed in setting forth the critically dangerous possibilities high must be faced and prepared for by the Nation, if it has any are for its own higher and nobler destinies, has brought home to among us who are capable of responsible thinking the stern fact hat we are not arbiters of our own fate, in the sense that we have et to live and let live, to keep the peace ourselves and rely upon he arguments of peace with all other nations of the earth, in order be left free to pursue undisturbed our own comfortable lives, to aintain our own cherished ideals, and to shape our own future as ne will.-The Economic World.

Speaking of the solemnity of words-

A dispatch to the revered Globe says that the government at kristiania has ordered the expropriation of all the petroleum in the country. And the Globe's headline is "Sweden Seizes All Petroleum

### Art, Literature, Etc.

s. Elinor Glyn's latest work is, perhaps, as feverish one has a right to expect, does it not seem that she is spilling an inmate number of words? Her material might, indeed, be condensed ck, the penultimate and antipenultimate lines of which are

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was the Sun's objection to the weakening "very" so much used the President in correspondence we are in entire harmony. Smely-nine per cent of the time "very" is used its omission would

as has been pointed out in this Beacon of Blurbanity, . If Fred Stone had said "Good, Eddie," he wouldn't have said it after the first night; and it might be injurious to delete a from "You're very, very good, and be it understood---

## THE DIARY OF OUR OWN SAMUEL PEPYS.

February 12-Up, and with J. Wise to White Plains, and to an on, of many articles of provender. All the day idling, I. Glass's petrol-waggon, and took us to his great new house in le; and there were L. Hitchcock and T. Hovey, and we ad a game at draw-poker, and I won £1, which made me happy. To White Plains again, a fine ride through the snowy night.

13-Lay late, and had a fine breakfast. J. Wise did then pull a sled, for three miles or more, never complaining, but doing judge of distances; to me it seemed but three hundred ares, but it may have been, as I said, three miles. Read this day M. Foster's "Rich Man, Poor Man," a book I found it hard to keep interested in. Trifling, I thought it.

14-Up at surrise, and by train to the city. Stopped at a floralued highly for the thoughtfulness of my deed, which, to say buth, was unwonted. To the office where I found many valentines, at the welcomest one from little Helen Scott, a red heart, with "I ive you," written on it by her. All day at my office, hard at work, abeit the journalists do taunt me with my having a sinecure; which a true enough, Heaven he'p me. Yet the opening of many letters a mere frouble than it looks to be.

The following, V. N. reports, eluded the Bookman's proofroom h February: "Rupert Hughes' 'Cropped Wings," Macmillin Company, "Felix O'Day" and Maria Thompson Daviess.

# An Office Anthology.

XII.-RIGGS, THE ORDER CLERK.

When I had to quit school to work I made up my mind not to work with my hands. olgot me a good suit. I've a pretty good build you know,

And I work with my head here, Matching paper, and inks, ordering cuts and supplies,

And I landed this job on my looks.

Ard it's all interesting, and I learn a lot.

I haven't much education, but I go to night school right along, And some day I will try at Columbia

for a course or two in English, for I think One ought to know one's own language, ain't it so? It's pretty good working like this.

Better than busting trunks or linotyping for a living.

Fue done both. And I get two weeks vacation, When I go up to the country and loaf among the rich.

Why some of them have autos all of them their own. it takes most of what I've saved up, But it's worth it, for some of the people are very stylish,

The kind you'd be glad to go with,

and some time I'm going to go with them.

Secause I'm wise enough to work with my head.

ARCHIE.

Miss Bergland stated that Moran entired she and her girl friend Whis home. - Brooklyn Citizen.

Hurrah for Goold Brown!

Ben Woodhead president of the Beaumont Lumber Colopany, who has just the boom from a frip to Mexico City, reports that conditions in the re-

We note by the paper-the Schenectady Union-Star-that "Harvard's oldest alumni" is dead.

SHE CAN SEE IT IN THE CONNING TOWER FOR FEBRU-ARY, 1914.

Sir: We were walking up Broadway one night, Anna and I, discussing the war in a neutral way, the immediate topic being Prexy Wilson's Lusitania notes, when we spied in electric lights Ich above Broadway the message "United States Tires." Anna said "It's about time." If I can show her this in The Conning Tower I'll be tickled.

HANK OF BRONX AND BROOKLYN.

Tenderly susceptible and sensitive persons don't seem to have any control over their time these days.

We devoted most in yesterday, for instance, to weeping for the Poor, abused mine operators. F. P. A.

**FARRAR RETURNS** TO METROPOLITAN

As Mrs. Tellegen, Repeats Former Triumph in "Tosca."

MAKES A LITTLE VALENTINE SPEECH

Audience Recalls Her Many Times-Amato Sings Well in Scarpia Role.

ing again upon the stage of the Metropolitan Opera House. "Our Geraldine" is no more! Convention with is clammy hand has placed upon her finger a wedding ring, and she who declared she never would submit to the cictates of a middle class society has !

acknowledged herself beaten.
Henceforth we must know her by another name. Will we love her less as
Mrs. Lou-Tellegen? Will her smile be as the Metropolitan Opera Lause It seemed as if the present Mrs. Tellegen is the late Miss Farrar plus only a little weight. At any rate, if she has become Mrs. Tellegen she has not forgetten that she is also Geraldine! And in that there will be a world of comfort

the movement on has at last claimed Miss Farrar, it will never claim her Toscin. To Mrs. Tellegen, as to Miss Farrar, Tosca is a creation created for the purpose of showing how an ingenue can be a tragic actress. Convention had decreed that Tosca should be tall and stately and all-dominant, with eyes of smouldering fame, of tumultuous passions and fate clouded scul. Now, Miss Farrar was neither tall por stately, and envy even whispered.

Society Attends Annual

Mrs. William Dulles, who is spending Mrs. J. West Roosevelt and Miss the winter at the Hotel Gotham, has announced the engagement of her daughter, Miss Edith Rutledge Dulles, sing the music of Puccini—you have the Tosca of Miss Geraldine Farrar. What sort of a Tosca, you may ask? One who draws to the Metropolitan \$12,000 a night! And Sardou? Well, Sardou is dead Yet perhaps last night, as he wandered quietly among the Elystan Fields his companions caught upon his face the faint ghost of a smile—perhaps he was thinking of a young woman who could turn one of his own tricks to her advantage—who was turning it at that very moment.

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of the late Bishop Alexander Mackaybe married to William Bell Watkins in St. John's Episcopal Church, Washington, on March 4. Miss Virginia two have never taken really sly, possibly because Miss Farrar ever taken it seriously herself, it has, but neither real warmth, ty nor traise power. She sings sic well, she sang it well has shough the knife edge of her was with her as of yore, what of it? Miss Farrar has ted, Mrs. Tellegen always will

Seymour Johnson, who is to marry Miss Dorothea Kane on Thursday after noon in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, gave his farewell bachelor dinner last night at the Racquet and Tennis Club. His guests included Ogden L. Mills, who is to be his best man, J. Henry Alexandre, I. Wistar Kendall, Richard H. Williams, jr., Bernon S. Prentice, James McVickar and Courtlandt P. Dixon, who are to be his ush-

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of tremendous size; versity and of Squadron A.

Mrs. Burke Roche will give a dinner to-night at her home, 18 East Seventy-veral new costumes.

Mrs. Gladys Mackay-Smith, daughter seventh Street.

Mrs. Horace S. Ely, of 19 East Fifty-fifth Street, will give a dance at the Hotel Gotham on Thursday evening.

RESEARCH SCHOOL "TOSCA," WHO RETURNED LAST NIGHT. |"ANY HOUSE" BELIES TITLE FOR TUBERCULOSIS

> New Davis Drama at the First Institution of Kind in World to Open at Sar-Cort Theatre Is Unconvincing.

## PROVIDES ADVANCED DOES NOT LIVE UP TO NOVEL SETTING STUDY FOR PHYSICIANS

ing in a Play That Is Frequently Tedious.

gent Aborn.

the Metropolitan Opera House it there as if the present Mr. Feligen to world. At any rap pin only a like with the sales Geraldine! And not there will be a world of conferent to thousand young and fluttering.

Mr. Feligen she has not forget me that he is also Geraldine! And not there will be a world of conferent to thousand young and fluttering.

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the curtain does not rise. It is before the play starts, revealing fronts of three houses. A newshow see. A newly wedded couple moves by the house on the left. A man za the doorheil of the house in the idle, and the maid opens the door clim. The owner of the centre house it was and lets himself in with his such a study in this department of medicine. The front of the centre house it was and lets himself in with his such a study requires institutions, the houses standing where they were. All of these facilities will be at the drive house standing where they were. This detailed preparation is intended drive home the fact that that which about to occur is the sort of thing at could happen in your house, our ause, any house. Similar scenes take did third acts and at the end of the lay. But having created the illusion, and mystems that one expects one me might recognize as living in any souse, doing the things that one expects on see done in any house, they present sepile and situations that are utterly areal and unconvincing.

Few persons care anything about the attorney for the vice-president of a big railroad. He is a man who moves in a limited set. When, in addition, one learns that he has disinherited the daughter who wedded against his will, and the many advances of the proposed meditations of the house in the knowledge of tuberculosis have reated an ever-increasing demand for special advanced the knowledge of tuberculosis have failed to maintain it. The originators of the proposed meditations of the centre house in the knowledge of tuberculosis have failed to maintain it. The originators of the proposed meditations of the centre house in the knowledge of tuberculosis have failed new fail of the house in the knowledge of tuberculosis have failed new fail of the house failed new failed new fail of the house fail of the house fail of the house fail of the house fail of the p

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# anac Lake on May 1.

Good, Bad and Indifferent Act- Educational Work of Dr. E. L.

Trudeau, Pioneer in Fighting

Disease, To Be Carried On.

"Any House," a drama in three acts, Tuberculosis, recognized as a more by Owen Davis and Robert H. Davis, deadly enemy of mankind than war-Presented at the Corf Theatre by Sar- fare, is to be combated by experts especially trained and armed with the latest scientific knowledge for the purpose. The first school for the education of tuberculosis specialists in the

Million via the dear to tuberculosis specialists in the layeard Grams world will open its doors at the Trudeau Sanatorium, Saranac Lake, New May Plans for founding the Jack Dear Vork, in May Plans for founding the school were made by Dr. Trudeau shortly before his death.

The new course of study will be in the nature of a post-graduate course for practising physicians, advanced is a combination of students and research workers whose "Givertones," "Peter Grimm," "The particular interest is the cure and prevention of tuberculosis. With the nat-

F. T. MARTIN ESTATE EXEMPT

State Loses Transfer Tax by Decision Frederick Townsend Martin, society nan and author, was not a resident of ew York at the time of his death, on

New York at the time of his death, on March 8, 1914. Surrogate Fowler decided yesterday, and therefore his estate will be exempt from the payment of a transfer tax where.

The Metropolitan Trust Company, executor of the Martin estate, contended that Martin died a resident of London. The State Controller, in opposing the application for the exemption of the estate, sought to show that Mr. Martin considered himself a resident of New York, although he spent considerable time abroad. His personal

siderable time abroad. His personal effects here were valued at about \$600.

# LOUIS DUNCAN DEAD

Was Well Known in Electrical Engineering Circles.

Louis Duncan, of the firm of Duncan, Young & Co., of 50 Church Street, died Sunday at his home, 998 Prospect Avenue, Pelham Manor, N. Y. He was course in physics and electricity President McKinley appointed Ma